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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (amended): A method for treating a keratin-containing substrate comprising contacting said substrate with an effective amount of a cosmetically acceptable medium comprising from about 0.1 to about 20% by weight of an ampholyte polymer comprising:

(a) about 35 to about 52.5 mol % acrylamidopropyltrimethyl ammonium chloride or methacrylamidopropyltrimethyl ammonium chloride, alone or in combination; [and]

(b) about 35 to about 52.5 mol % acrylic acid, methacrylic acid, 2-acrylamido-2-methylpropane sulfonic acid or 2-methacrylamido-2-methylpropane sulfonic acid, alone or in combination; [wherein the mol ratio of a):b) ranges from about 20:80 to about 95:5 and wherein the weight average molecular weight of said polymer, as determined by viscometry, is at least about 100.000] and

(c) about 0 to about 20 mol % of a C₁-C₂₂ straight or branched chain alkyl acrylate.

Claim 2 (canceled):

Claim 3 (original): The method of claim 1 wherein said cosmetically acceptable medium is a member selected from the group consisting of a shampoo, an aftershave, a sunscreen, a hand lotion, a liquid soap, a bar soap, a bath oil bar, a shaving cream, a dishwashing liquid, a conditioner, a hair dye, a permanent wave, a hair relaxer, a hair bleach, a hair setting formulation, a styling gel, or a shower gel.

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Claim 4 (amended): A method for treating a keratin-containing substrate comprising contacting said substrate with an ampholyte polymer comprising:

(a) about 35 to about 52.5 mol % acrylamidopropyltrimethyl ammonium chloride or methacrylamidopropyltrimethyl ammonium chloride, alone or in combination; [and]

(b) about 35 to about 52.5 mol % acrylic acid[], methacrylic acid, 2-acrylamido-2-methylpropane sulfonic acid or 2-methacrylamido-2-methylpropane sulfonic acid, alone or in combination; [wherein the mol ratio of a):b) ranges from about 20:80 to about 95:5 and wherein the weight average molecular weight of said polymer, as determined by viscometry, is at least about 100,000] and

(c) about 0 to about 20 mol % of a C₁-C₂₂ straight or branched chain alkyl acrylate.

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